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- 8. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 7, wherein a transmission power level of the preamble portion differs from the non-preamble portion.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 7, wherein the preamble and non-preamble error encoding gains are a result of processing the data packet with a first and second convolutional encoder, respectively.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9, wherein the first convolutional encoder is a 7/8 convolutional encoder and the second convolutional encoder is a convolutional encoder in the range of a 1/3 to 1/2 convolutional encoder.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 7, wherein the preamble processing gain is a first spreading factor and the non-preamble processing gain is a second spreading factor.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 7, wherein the random access channel is a common packet channel.

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13. (Currently Amended) A wireless spread spectrum code division

multiple access user equipment (UE) for transmitting over a random access

channel, comprising:

a convolutional encoder for formatting non-control non-preamble data; and

a transmitter for transmitting a random access transmission having a

preamble portion and a non-preamble portion;

wherein a factor applied to the formatted non-control data in the non-

preamble portion differs from a gain factor applied to other data in response to a

formatting of the formatted non-control data with respect to a formatting of the

other data.

14. (Previously Presented) The UE of claim 13, wherein a transmission

power level of the preamble portion differs from the non-preamble portion.

15. (Previously Presented) The UE of claim 13, wherein the preamble and

non-preamble error encoding gains are a result of processing the data packet with a

first and second convolutional encoder, respectively.

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16. (Previously Presented) The UE of claim 15, wherein the first

convolutional encoder is a 7/8 convolutional encoder and the second convolutional

encoder is a convolutional encoder in the range of a 1/3 to 1/2 convolutional encoder.

17. (Previously Presented) The UE of claim 15, wherein the preamble

processing gain is a first spreading factor and the non-preamble processing gain is a

second spreading factor.

18. (Previously Presented) The UE of claim 13, wherein the random access

channel is a common packet channel.

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